Amendment No. 1 to HB1589

<u>Harwell</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1627*

House Bill No. 1589

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-120(a), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following language to be designated as subdivision (2):

(2) If a property and casualty insurance policy includes a specified medical expense benefit payable without regard to fault, but does not permit assignment of such benefit, the insurer must establish a process that, when requested by the insured, the insurer shall disburse funds in the names of the insured and the health care provider as joint payees. Disbursement shall be subject to terms and conditions under the issued insurance policy.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.